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REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIME AND **AUTHORIZATION TO CHARGE PTO ACCOUNT**

Sirs:

As provided for under 37 CFR § 1.136, please extend the shortened statutory response period for the office action mailed on October 14, 2005, regarding the above listed application, for one month, from November 14, 2005 to December 14, 2004. Therefore, this Brief is timely filed within the extended shortened statutory period via U.S. Express Mail, per 37 CFR §§1.7 and 1.10., as filed on Wednesday, December 14, 2005. The Commissioner is authorized to charge payment of the \$55.00, one month extension fee under 37 CFR §§ 1.16 and 1.17, associated with this communication, to Deposit Account 50-0269. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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